From: MDHHS-WICVendor

Subject: Reminder: WIC Vendor Peer Group Restructuring

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Dear Vendor,

As a reminder, the Michigan WIC Program is federally required to develop a Vendor peer group structure as part of our cost containment efforts.

Michigan's Vendor peer groups were recently restructured using the following criteria: Vendor **type**, number of **registers**, and whether the Vendor is a **chain**. This restructuring reduced the number of peer groups from nineteen (19) to seven (7) and revised the Not to Exceed (NTE) (i.e., maximum price) calculation to reflect statewide averages and peer group assignment. These changes went into effect earlier this week.

As a result of implementing the new peer grouping structure and cost containment strategy, Vendors may notice differences in their WIC reimbursements.

If you have any questions regarding this change, please contact the Vendor Relations Unit at MDHHS-WICVendor@michigan.gov or 517-335-8937.

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